## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD WASHINGTON, D. C.

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AMENDMENT PROVIDING THAT QUALIFIED PERSONNEL OTHER THAN THAT OF THE AIR CARRIER OPERATING THE AIRCRAFT MAY SIGN CLEARANCE FORMS, LOAD AIRCRAFT, AND SIGN LOAD MANIFEST FORMS

The purpose of this amendment is:

- 1. To permit the authorized aircraft dispatcher of the air carrier operating the aircraft to delegate the authority to sign the clearance form for a particular flight and.
- 2. To permit the air carrier to authorize qualified personnel other than that of the air carrier operating the aircraft to supervise the loading of the aircraft and to sign the load manifest form.

Section 61.7103 of the Civil Air Regulations presently requires that the clearance and load manifest forms be signed by personnel of the carrier and that the loading of the aircraft must be done by qualified personnel of the carrier. In some instances, the carriers would benefit by the economic advantages which may be obtained from the consolidation of service facilities. The delegation of authority merely to sign clearances by the authorized aircraft dispatcher will in no way compromise safety, because such dispatcher remains responsible for the dispatch and continued supervision of the flight. In the case of the loading of the aircraft and the signing of the load manifest form, the responsibility for proper accomplishment of these functions remains with the air carrier operating the aircraft.

Effective July 15, 1947, Part 61 of the Civil Air Regulations is amended as follows:

- 1. By amending \$ 61.7102 to read as follows:
- 61.7102 Clearance and load manifest forms. The clearance and load manifest forms used shall be approved by the Administrator. The original copies of such forms shall be given to the first pilot and duplicate copies kept in the station files for at least 30 days.
  - 2. By adding two new sections to read as follows:
- 61.71020 Preparation of clearance form. A clearance form shall be prepared for each flight between specified clearance points. The information for such clearance shall be prepared by the authorized aircraft dispatcher of

the air carrier operating the aircraft. This form shall be signed by the first pilot and by the authorized aircraft dispatcher only when both believe the flight may be made with safety. The authority to sign such clearance may be delegated for a particular flight by the authorized aircraft dispatcher, but the authority to dispatch cannot be delegated and such dispatcher remains responsible for the dispatch and continued supervision of the flight.

61.7102! Preparation of load manifest form. A manifest form showing the loading of the aircraft shall be prepared and signed for each flight by qualified personnel of the air carrier charged with the duty of supervising the loading of the aircraft and the preparation of the load manifest forms, or by qualified persons authorized by the air carrier. The aircraft when loaded shall not exceed the center of gravity limits or maximum allowable weight limits set forth in the aircraft certificate for the particular aircraft.

3. By repealing § 61.7103.

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